

7 April 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 7 April 1981

The Director chaired the meeting. [ ]

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The Director noted he had breakfast this morning with the House Foreign Affairs Committee and that it went well. [ ]

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[ ] noted that the House Appropriations Committee hearing on the 1981 supplemental budget is on 8 April and that he anticipates no problems. In response to the Director's question about who was testifying, [ ] said he and [ ] from the IC Staff, will present testimony. [ ] said the Committee may raise the issue of access to covert action material and he had reviewed the Director's guidance on the subject and will tell the Committee, if asked, they will be provided with information they need to know. [ ]

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Hugel noted he will be meeting shortly with Tom Tracy of State to discuss various State/CIA problems such as communications and security. [ ]

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Silver noted that consideration of Executive Order 12036 will occur after the Director returns from his trip. In response to Silver's question about whether he plans to make decisions on the Executive Order before he leaves, the Director said he would wait until he returned to go over the revisions. [ ] commented that all inputs to the Executive Order have been received except those from CIA and DoD. The Director said we should discuss the subject with DoD and he will call Mr. Carlucci before he leaves on his trip. [ ]

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Hitz noted that the Director's trip coincides with the Congressional Easter recess and there should be no problems during this period. [ ]

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Kerr reported that the Vice President is concerned over the release of information to the media on the Polish situation and asked for a review, by 8 April, of all the information that has been released to determine if any sources or methods have been compromised. Kerr said he will prepare the review. The Director said he would like to see the review before it is sent to the Vice President.

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[redacted] noted that the Agency was required to report disclosures to the Congress. Hitz said he would provide the last report to the Director. Bross later noted a paper prepared by PFIAB 15 years ago on the subject of disclosures and wondered if it might not be useful to have the IOB review it now. [redacted]

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Lipton noted that he was beginning to formulate the 1983 budget and that he will be meeting with the various Directorates to discuss their submissions. He expects the Budget Book to be completed within a month for Executive Committee's consideration. [redacted]

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Lipton noted that DoD is doing away with Zero Base Budgeting and that Mr. Carlucci will be sending a letter to the Director requesting that his representatives meet with the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy to discuss ways to reduce the work load that occurs because NFIP managers have to prepare separate inputs for the DoD and NFIP budgets. [ ]

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Fitzwater reported that our advertising campaign is doing well and we have [ ] personnel cleared for EOD. [ ]

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Lehman briefed on the Polish situation and noted that the time has come for us to analyze the Soviet political situation in light of what is occurring in Poland. [ ]

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Lehman noted that despite the continuing crisis in Poland, we must ensure we are watching the situation in Lebanon, which he thinks contains the seeds for another Middle East war. The solution to the problem is to allow the opposing Lebanese forces and the PLO to work out their problems without having the Israelis and Syrians becoming involved in a direct confrontation. [ ]

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The Director asked [ ] to prepare a memorandum on the Executive Order submissions for his conversation with Mr. Carlucci. [ ]

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